The Honorable Michael K. Powell Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Powell:

This is not beneficial to the consumer! Some quick thoughts on why I am against this merger.

So, if this merger takes place, what happens to the DIRECTV equipment I have already spend several hundred dollars on? What will the new charges for basic monthly service be? What will Internet and basic service cost? Will basic monthly service include the 'local' channels (ABC, NBC, CBS, FOX)? How does this benefit me as a consumer when I have to buy new equipment, pay more for the service and have no choice of providers? Is this really better for me? I don't think this is in my best interest - especially in light of previous mergers/acquisitions - I just end up with less service at a higher cost! A concerned consumer & satisfied DIRECTV customer,

Sincerely,

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